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Washington, D.C. 20231 Date: April 20, 2001 Sir: 20/11 stree patent application of: Attached for fire Inventor: CHIBA Entitled: **INFORMATION TRANSFER APPARATUS AND METHOD** TRANSERRING TO ANOTHER TERMINAL INFORMATION TRANSMITTED FROM SERVER TO CLIENT, AND MACHINE-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM RECORDED WITH PROGRAM REALIZING INFORMATION TRANSFER METHOD and including attachments as noted below: Declaration, Abstract \boxtimes 34 pages of specification and claims (including 28 numbered claims), and 16 sheets of accompanying drawing/s. Record & return the attached assignment to the undersigned. Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C 119 based on the following foreign applications, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application: **Application Number** Country Day/Month/Year Filed 2000-152835 JAPAN 24 May 2000 , respectively. Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached. Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line -- This is a of PCT application . filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application .--Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C 120/365 based on the following prior PCT applications designating the U.S., the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application: **Application Number** Country Day/Month/Year Filed This application is based on the following prior provisional application(s): Application No. Filing Date respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom. Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--This application is entitled to "Small entity" status.

"Small entity" statement attached. The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or Examiner for the reasons stated therein. Preliminary amendment to claims (attached hereto), to be entered before calculation of the fee below. Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement ; Non-Publication Request; Other: FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HEREWITH CANCELED Basic Filing Fee 710.00 Total effective claims - 20 (at least 20) = x \$ 18.00 \$ 144.00 Independent claims 4 - 3 (at least 3) = 1 x\$ 80.00 80.00 If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$270.00 (ignore improper) 0.00 SUBTOTAL 934.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract 0.00)SECOND SUBTOTAL 934.00 Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) 40.00 **TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$** 974.00 Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor **NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.** Arlington, Virginia 22201-4714 By Atty: Mark E. Nusbaum, Reg. No. 32,348 Telephone: (703) 816-4000 Facsimile: (703) 816-4100 MEN:ms

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